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Chapter 17. Weigh Stations and Weight Checks

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State police; average number of checks per week

Sec. 1. The state police department shall make at least an average of twenty-five (25) weight checks per week for each patrolman of the department. The department may utilize the services of civilian employees in accomplishing the weight checks.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

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Heavy commercial truck traffic; permanent stations; staffing; portable scales

Sec. 2. To the degree possible, all permanent weigh stations must be staffed during the hours of heavy commercial truck traffic. Enforcement crews shall operate portable scales frequently enough to discourage heavy truck traffic on Indiana secondary highways.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

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Enforcement procedures

Sec. 3. (a) A police officer who has reason to believe that a vehicle or the load on a vehicle is unlawful may do the following:

- (1) Stop, measure, and weigh the vehicle or load on a highway by means of portable or stationary scales.
- (2) Require the vehicle to be driven to the nearest scales if the nearest scales are within five (5) miles. However, a vehicle carrying a load of asphalt or concrete in the plastic stage may not be required to be driven more than two (2) miles to the nearest scales.

(b) If an officer finds that a vehicle is loaded in violation of this article, the officer may cause the excess load to be removed from the vehicle. Material or goods that are removed shall be removed and cared for at the risk of the person who owns or operates the vehicle.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

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Equipment necessary for enforcement; purchase; costs

Sec. 4. (a) Scales and other equipment necessary for the proper enforcement of this article may be purchased by the authority having charge of the maintenance of the highways on which the scales are or equipment is to be used.

(b) The cost of scales and equipment described under subsection (a) shall be charged to the maintenance of the highway on which the scale or equipment is used.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.